

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT
 WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 1997 - 0530 MDT
 NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL II

CURRENT SITUATION: Large fire activity occurred in the Northern Rockies. Minor initial attack activity was reported elsewhere. Very high fire indices continue to be reported on several units in the Southern California, Western Great Basin and Northern Rockies Areas.

NORTHERN ROCKIES LARGE FIRES:

HUBBARD, Charles M. Russell NWR. This lightning fire is burning in Pinyon Juniper and grass approximately 95 miles northeast of Lewistown, MT. The fire is exhibiting erratic fire behavior due to high winds. A major concern in addition to the high winds are bow hunters in the area. The fire is burning near the Ice Cream Butte fire which is 100 acres. These two fires are expected to burn together.

INCIDENT	UNIT	ST	SIZE	%	EST	TOTAL	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC	EST	\$\$\$
				CTN	CTN	PERS				LOST	LOSS	C-T-D
HUBBARD	CMR	MT	800	0	9/18	100	4	8	0	0	UNK	25K

OUTLOOK:

Central and southern California will be partly cloudy. A cold front passing through northern California will bring mostly cloudy skies and scattered showers. There will be areas of coastal fog and low clouds. High temperatures will be in the mid 60's and 70's along the coast, 60's and 70's in the mountains, and 80's to 100 in the inland valleys and deserts.

A FIRE WEATHER WATCH IS POSTED IN NEVADA FOR STRONG, GUSTY SOUTHWEST WINDS ASSOCIATED WITH A COLD FRONT. Nevada will be partly cloudy and windy with a few afternoon showers in the north. Central and southern Nevada will be mostly sunny. High temperatures will be in the 70's to lower 80's in the north and upper 80's to near 100 in the south.

Utah will be partly cloudy with isolated afternoon and evening thunderstorms in the southern mountains. High temperatures will range from 75 to 85 and near 90 in the extreme south.

AREA	FIRES: Yesterday							TOTAL
	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS		
ALASKA							NR	
NORTHWEST							0	
CA-NORTH					4	2	6	
CA-SOUTH					16	1	17	

NORTHERN	3		2			1	3	9
GB-EAST						1	3	4
GB-WEST						1		1
SOUTHWEST	1						2	3
ROCKY MTN		1				1	3	5
EASTERN							1	1
SOUTHERN								NR
USA	4	1	2	0		24	15	46

ACRES BURNED: Yesterday

AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA							NR
NORTHWEST							0
CA-NORTH					2	0	2
CA-SOUTH					2	0	2
NORTHERN	5		900			3	908
GB-EAST					0	0	0
GB-WEST					7		7
SOUTHWEST	0					0	0
ROCKY MTN					3	1	4
EASTERN							0
SOUTHERN							NR
USA	5	0	900	0	14	4	923

RESOURCE STATUS: Committed Resources

AREA	CREWS		ENGINES		HELICOP.		AIRTNK.		OVERHEAD	
	FED	ST/O	FED	ST/O	FED	ST/O	FED	ST/O	FED	ST/O
ALASKA										
NORTHWEST					2					
CA-NORTH		2				2		1		
CA-SOUTH				2	1	1				
NORTHERN	5		11							
GB-EAST			2							
GB-WEST			3							
SOUTHWEST										
ROCKY MTN										
EASTERN										
SOUTHERN										
USA	5	2	16	2	3	3	0	1	0	0

FED = FEDERAL AND FEDERAL CONTRACT RESOURCES

ST/O = STATE OR OTHER RESOURCES

NR = NO REPORT

FIRES: Year to date

AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	6	86	52	14	530	11	699
NORTHWEST	194	321	20	92	1,047	999	2,673
CA-NORTH	78	62	1	18	2,313	774	3,246
CA-SOUTH	44	330	3	50	3,325	804	4,556
NORTHERN	469	32	30	27	347	578	1,483
GB-EAST	26	483		13	297	528	1,347

GB-WEST		371		17	71	183	642
SOUTHWEST	790	177	18	82	810	1,635	3,512
ROCKY MTN	484	379	16	29	756	350	2,014
EASTERN	550			34	9,916	400	10,900
SOUTHERN	4		98	56	20,871	636	21,665
USA	2,645	2,241	238	432	40,283	6,898	52,737
10 YEAR AVERAGE							62,691

AREA	ACRES BURNED: Year to date						
	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	28	833,991	761,110	19,670	295,526	32	1,910,357
NORTHWEST	977	20,728	6,573	375	5,121	5,179	38,953
CA-NORTH	106	571	30	2,316	6,646	1,371	11,040
CA-SOUTH	575	13,303	2,419	54	32,019	92,411	140,781
NORTHERN	3,681	482	2,092	6	1,428	709	8,398
GB-EAST	24	43,411		42	10,008	4,114	57,599
GB-WEST		37,105		2	418	4,831	42,356
SOUTHWEST	4,444	4,590	1,778	1,848	123,335	13,908	149,903
ROCKY MTN	4,281	8,047	151	1,393	24,321	1,750	39,943
EASTERN	3,191			120	47,056	5,226	55,593
SOUTHERN	12		10,728	2,110	249,876	32,296	295,022
USA	17,319	962,228	784,881	27,936	795,754	161,827	2,749,945
10 YEAR AVERAGE							2,841,620

CANADA FIRES AND HECTARES

PROVINCES	YESTERDAY		YEAR TO DATE	
BRITISH COLUMBIA			1,075	2,446
YUKON TERRITORY			107	10,127
ALBERTA			405	818
NORTHWEST TERRITORY			102	46,113
SASKATCHEWAN			476	3,867
MANITOBA			362	33,799
ONTARIO			1,522	29,602
QUEBEC			810	364,934
NEWFOUNDLAND			109	9,473
NEW BRUNSWICK			306	131
NOVA SCOTIA			324	522
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND			32	93
NATIONAL PARKS			51	298
TOTALS	0	0	5,681	502,223

A hectare is equivalent to 2.47 acres.

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